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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH**

<p>LYNNETTE COOK, RODNEY JAY VESSELS, JULIE LITTLE TAGGART</p> <p><i>Pro Se Plaintiffs,</i></p> <p>vs.</p> <p>THE CORPORATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER- DAY SAINTS, A UTAH CORPORATION SOLE.,</p> <p>Defendant</p>	<p>Case Number: 2:20-cv-00080</p> <p>PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS' RULE 12(f) MOTION TO STRIKE</p> <p>The Honorable Ted Stewart The Honorable Paul M. Warner</p>
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Plaintiffs moved to strike Defendant's statement that "Plaintiffs' 'settlement' demands ... further highlight the religious nature of this dispute." Plaintiffs sought to strike the statement, pursuant to Rule 408 of the Federal Rules of Evidence ("Compromise Offers and Negotiations"), which prohibits a party from using the opposing party's offer to settle to prove the validity of a disputed claim.

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Defendant clearly attempted to use Plaintiffs' offer to compromise for the impermissible purpose of allegedly proving that Plaintiffs' Complaint is of a "religious nature" that would seemingly protect Defendant's acts of fraud under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution and lead to the dismissal of Plaintiffs' Complaint as simply based on a religious dispute.

Defendant's Response to Plaintiffs' Rule 12(f) Motion to Strike falsely states that "Plaintiffs now complain that, according to the Federal Rules of Evidence, settlement correspondence is confidential and inadmissible." Plaintiffs, however, made no such claims, but rather claimed that Defendant could not use Plaintiffs' settlement offer as evidence that Plaintiffs' Complaint is of a religious nature protected by the First Amendment—for that is Defendant's main contention in its motion to dismiss.

Plaintiffs did not waive the protections of Rule 408 of the Federal Rules of Evidence. Plaintiffs' Motion to Strike should be granted.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd Day of April, 2020.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Plaintiffs certify that on April 3, 2020, a true and correct copy of the Plaintiffs' Response to Defendant's Response to Plaintiffs' Rule 12(f) Motion to Strike was served upon Defendant's attorneys at the law office of STOEL RIVES LLP, 201 S. Main Street, Suite 1100, Salt Lake City UT 84111.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dated this 3rd Day of April, 2020

By:



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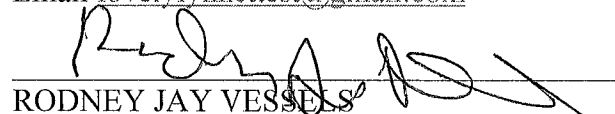
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